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Attorney Docket No.	1875.0620001
First Inventor	Theodore F. Rabenko
Title	System and Method for Providing Power Over a Home Phone Line Network
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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**  
See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.**ADDRESS TO:**Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Washington, DC 202311. ☐ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 27]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)  
- Descriptive title of the Invention  
- Cross Reference to Related Applications  
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D  
- Reference to sequence listing, a table,  
or a computer program listing appendix  
- Background of the Invention  
- Brief Summary of the Invention  
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)  
- Detailed Description  
- Claim(s)  
- Abstract of the Disclosure4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 6]

5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages ]

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Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named  
in the prior application, see 37 CFR §§ 1.63(d)(2) and  
1.33(b).6. ☒ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76.7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program  
(Appendix)8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
(if applicable, all necessary)a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)

b. Specification Sequence Listing on:

i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); orii. ☐ paperc. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (2) (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(if foreign priority is claimed)16. ☐ Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach  
form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.17. ☒ Other: Authorization under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3)☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment,  
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of prior application No: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Prior application information: Examiner \_\_\_\_\_

Group/Art Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Box Patent Application**

Re: U.S. Non-Provisional Utility Patent Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)  
Appl. No. To Be Assigned; Filed: April 24, 2001  
For: **System and Method for Providing Power Over a Home Phone Line  
Network**  
Inventors: Rabenko *et al.*  
Our Ref: 1875.0620001/RES/TCF

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S.  
Patent and Trademark Office:

1. PTO Utility Patent Application Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/05);
2. Application Data Sheet;
3. U.S. Utility Patent Application entitled:

**System and Method for Providing Power Over a Home Phone Line Network**

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the application consisting of:

- a. A specification containing:
    - i. 20 pages of description prior to the claims;
    - ii. 6 pages of claims (claims 1-25);
    - iii. a one (1) page abstract;
  - b. 6 sheets of drawings: (Figures 1-3, 4A, 4B, 5 and 6); and
- 4. Authorization to Treat a Reply As Incorporating An Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3)(*in duplicate*); and
  - 5. Two (2) return postcards.

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